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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Rules 155 and 156 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly provide as follows:

Rule 155

The General Assembly shall appoint an Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions consisting of sixteen members, including at least three financial experts of recognized standing.

Rule 156

The members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, no two of whom shall be nationals of the same State, shall be selected on the basis of broad geographical representation, personal qualifications and experience and shall serve for a period of three years corresponding to three calendar years. Members shall retire by rotation and shall be eligible for reappointment. The three financial experts shall not retire simultaneously. The General Assembly shall appoint the members of the Advisory Committee at the regular session immediately preceding the expiration of the term of office of the members or, in case of vacancies, at the next session.

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2. The current membership of the Advisory Committee is the following:

Takeshi **Akamatsu** (Japan)*
Pavel **Chernikov** (Russian Federation)**
Ihor **Humennyi** (Ukraine)***
Conrod **Hunte** (Antigua and Barbuda)***
Ali A. **Kurer** (Libya)**
Dietrich **Lingenthal** (Germany)**
Richard **Moon** (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)*
Fernando **de Oliveira Sena** (Brazil)**
Eihab **Omaish** (Jordan)***
Carlos **Ruiz Massieu** (Mexico)*
Babou **Sene** (Senegal)***
Tesfa Alem **Seyoum** (Eritrea)***
David **Traystman** (United States of America)**
Devesh **Uttam** (India)*
Catherine **Vendat** (France)*
Ye Xuenong (China)*

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* Term of office expires on 31 December 2016.

** Term of office expires on 31 December 2017.

*** Term of office expires on 31 December 2018.

3. Given that the terms of office of Mr. Akamatsu, Mr. Moon, Mr. Ruiz Massieu, Mr. Uttam, Ms. Vendat and Mr. Ye will expire on 31 December 2016, it will be necessary for the General Assembly, at its seventy-first session, to appoint six persons to fill the resulting vacancies. The persons so appointed will serve for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 2017.

4. At previous sessions, the Fifth Committee submitted to the General Assembly a draft decision containing the names of the persons recommended for appointment. It is suggested that a similar procedure be followed at the seventy-first session.

Bernardo **Greiver** (Uruguay)*
Kunal **Khatri** (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)**
Nikolay **Lozinskiy** (Russian Federation)**
Toshiro **Ozawa** (Japan)***
Pedro Luis **Pedroso Cuesta** (Cuba)*
Tõnis **Saar** (Estonia)***
Henrique da Silveira **Sardinha Pinto** (Brazil)**
Thomas **Schlesinger** (Austria)**
Ugo **Sessi** (Italy)*
Josiel Motumisi **Tawana** (South Africa)***
Seongmee **Yoon** (Republic of Korea)**

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* Term of office expires on 31 December 2016.

** Term of office expires on 31 December 2017.

*** Term of office expires on 31 December 2018.

3. Given that the terms of office of Mr. Diawara, Mr. Eckersley, Mr. Elshakshuki, Mr. Greiver, Mr. Pedroso Cuesta and Mr. Sessi will expire on 31 December 2016, it will be necessary for the General Assembly, at its seventy-first session, to appoint six persons to fill the resulting vacancies. The persons so appointed will serve for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 2017.

4. At previous sessions, the Fifth Committee submitted to the General Assembly a draft decision containing the names of the persons recommended for appointment. It is suggested that a similar procedure be followed at the seventy-first session.

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Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Article 20 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund provides as follows:

> **Article 20**
> **Investments Committee**
>
> The Investments Committee shall consist of nine members appointed by the Secretary-General after consultation with the Board and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, subject to confirmation by the General Assembly.

2. The current members of the Committee, whose terms of office expire on 31 December 2016, are the following:

> Masakazu **Arikawa** (Japan)
> Madhav **Dhar** (India)
> Simon **Jiang** (China)
> Achim **Kassow** (Germany)
> Nemir A. **Kirdar** (Iraq)
> Michael S. **Klein** (United States of America)
> Linah K. **Mohohlo** (Botswana)
> Gumersindo **Oliveros** (Spain)

3. Accordingly, it will be necessary for the General Assembly, at its seventy-first session, to confirm the appointment by the Secretary-General of nine persons (including one appointment that was postponed from the seventieth session) to fill those vacancies. The persons so confirmed will serve for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 2017.

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4. At previous sessions, the Fifth Committee submitted to the General Assembly a draft decision containing the names of the persons recommended for confirmation. It is suggested that a similar procedure be followed at the seventy-first session.

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Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission

Note by the Secretary-General

1. The International Civil Service Commission was established by the General Assembly in its resolution 3357 (XXIX) for the regulation and coordination of the conditions of service of the United Nations common system. It performs its functions in respect of the United Nations and of those specialized agencies and other international organizations which participate in the United Nations common system and which have accepted the Commission's statute.

2. Articles 2 to 4 of the statute of the Commission, which is annexed to the resolution, provide as follows:

Article 2

The Commission shall consist of fifteen members appointed by the General Assembly, of whom two, who shall be designated Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively, shall serve full-time.

Article 3

1. The members of the Commission shall be appointed in their personal capacity as individuals of recognized competence who have had substantial experience of executive responsibility in public administration or related fields, particularly in personnel management.

2. The members of the Commission, no two of whom shall be nationals of the same State, shall be selected with due regard for equitable geographical distribution.

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Article 4

1. After appropriate consultations with Member States, with the executive heads of the other organizations and with staff representatives, the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Coordination,[1] shall compile a list of candidates for appointment as Chairman, Vice-Chairman and members of the Commission and shall consult with the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions before consideration and decision by the General Assembly.

2. In the same way, the names of candidates shall be submitted to the General Assembly to replace members whose terms of office have expired or who have resigned or otherwise ceased to be available.

3. Article 5 of the statute provides in part that "the members of the Commission shall be appointed by the General Assembly for a term of four years and may be reappointed".

4. The current membership of the Commission is the following:

Kingston Papie **Rhodes** (Sierra Leone)*** (Chair)
Wolfgang **Stöckl** (Germany)** (Vice-Chair)
Marie-Françoise **Bechtel** (France)***
Emmanuel Oti **Boateng** (Ghana)***
Larbi **Djacta** (Algeria)*
Minoru **Endo** (Japan)**
Carleen **Gardner** (Jamaica)***
Sergei V. **Garmonin** (Russian Federation)*
Luis Mariano **Hermosillo Sosa** (Mexico)**
Aldo **Mantovani** (Italy)**
Mohamed Mijarul **Quayes** (Bangladesh)*
Curtis **Smith** (United States of America)**
Wang Xiaochu (China)*
Eugeniusz **Wyzner** (Poland)***
El Hassane **Zahid** (Morocco)*

* Term of office expires on 31 December 2016.

** Term of office expires on 31 December 2017.

*** Term of office expires on 31 December 2018.

5. Given that the terms of office of Mr. Djacta, Mr. Garmonin, Mr. Quayes, Mr. Wang and Mr. Zahid will expire on 31 December 2016, it will be necessary for the General Assembly, at its seventy-first session, to appoint five persons to fill the resulting vacancies. The persons so appointed will serve for a period of four years, beginning on 1 January 2017.

6. At previous sessions, the Fifth Committee submitted to the General Assembly a draft decision containing the names of the persons recommended for appointment. It is suggested that a similar procedure be followed at the seventy-first session.

[1] By Economic and Social Council decision 2001/321, the Administrative Committee on Coordination was renamed the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination.

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Appointment of members of the Independent Audit Advisory Committee

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In its resolution 61/275, the General Assembly approved the terms of reference for the Independent Audit Advisory Committee and decided that it would comprise five members, to be appointed by the Assembly.

2. Paragraphs 3, 10, 11, 12 and 13 of the annex to resolution 61/275 provide as follows:

> 3. The Committee shall comprise five members, no two of whom shall be nationals of the same State, appointed by the General Assembly on the basis of equitable geographical representation, personal qualifications and experience.
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> 10. All members of the Committee shall reflect the highest level of integrity and shall serve in their personal capacity, and they shall not seek or receive instructions from any Government in performing their duties. They shall be independent of the Board of Auditors, the Joint Inspection Unit and the Secretariat and shall not hold any position or engage in any activity that could impair their independence from the Secretariat or from companies that maintain a business relationship with the United Nations, in fact or perception.
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> 11. All members of the Committee must have recent and relevant senior-level financial, audit and/or other oversight-related experience. Such experience should reflect, to the extent possible:
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> (a) Experience in preparing, auditing, analysing or evaluating financial statements that present a breadth and level of complexity of accounting issues that are generally comparable to the breadth and complexity of issues faced by the United Nations, including an understanding of relevant accepted accounting principles;

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(b) An understanding of and, if possible, relevant experience in the inspection, monitoring and evaluation and investigative processes;

(c) An understanding of internal control, risk management and procedures for financial reporting;

(d) A general understanding of the organization, structure and functioning of the United Nations.

12. Former senior United Nations Secretariat officials shall not be eligible for appointment to the Committee for five years following their separation from service. The members of the Committee shall not be eligible for appointment in the Secretariat for five years following the expiry of their terms.

13. Members of the Committee shall be nominated by Member States and shall be appointed by the General Assembly, preferably from a compendium of at least ten suitably qualified candidates, with due regard being paid to equitable geographic representation. Before nominating candidates, Member States are recommended to evaluate their candidates and attest to their qualifications on the basis of paragraph 11 above on the criteria for membership in the Committee through consultation with an international organization with relevant expertise in the functions performed by audit and oversight organizations, such as the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions, and to make this information available to Member States.

3. To facilitate the appointment of members of the Committee, the names of the candidates and other relevant information should be submitted to the Secretary-General. It is the understanding of the Secretary-General that regional groups are encouraged to present at least two candidates for appointment to the Committee and that each regional group will be entitled to one seat on the Committee.[1]

4. Paragraph 7 of the terms of reference for and criteria for membership in the Committee, contained in the annex to resolution 61/275, provides that members of the Committee shall be appointed and shall serve for three years, and can be reappointed for a second and final term of three years.

5. The current membership of the Committee is the following:

Patricia **Arriagada** (Chile)*
Natalia A. **Bocharova** (Russian Federation)*
J. Christopher **Mihm** (United States of America)**
Maria Gracia **Pulido-Tan** (Philippines)*
Richard Quartei **Quartey** (Ghana)**

* Term of office expires on 31 December 2016.

** Term of office expires on 31 December 2017.

6. Given that the terms of office of Ms. Arriagada, Ms. Bocharova and Ms. Pulido-Tan will expire on 31 December 2016, it will be necessary for the General Assembly, at its seventy-first session, to appoint three persons to fill the resulting vacancies. The persons so appointed will serve for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 2017.

[1] See A/C.5/61/SR.58.

7. At previous sessions, the Fifth Committee submitted to the General Assembly a draft decision containing the names of the persons recommended for appointment. It is suggested that a similar procedure be followed at the seventy-first session.

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Appointment of members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Article 6 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, as amended by the General Assembly in paragraph 4 of section VII of its resolution 55/224, provides as follows:

> **Article 6**
> **Staff pension committees**
>
> (a) The United Nations Staff Pension Committee shall consist of four members and four alternate members elected by the General Assembly, four members and two alternate members appointed by the Secretary-General, and four members and two alternate members, who shall be participants in the Fund and on the staff of the United Nations, elected by the participants in service in the United Nations by secret ballot.
>
> (b) The elected members and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee shall hold office for four years or until the election of their successors, and they shall be eligible for re-election; in the event that such an elected member or alternate member ceases to be a member of the Committee, another member or alternate member may be elected to hold office during the remainder of the term.
>
> (c) The staff pension committees of the other member organizations shall consist of members and alternate members chosen by the body of the organization corresponding to the General Assembly, its chief administrative officer, and its participants in service, in such a manner that the number representing each shall be equal and, in the case of the participants, that the members and alternate members shall themselves be participants in the service of the organization. Each member organization shall make rules for the

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election or appointment of the members and alternate members of its staff pension committee.

2. The current and alternate members of the United Nations Staff Pension Committee elected by the General Assembly, whose terms of office expire on 31 December 2016, are the following:

Dmitry S. **Chumakov** (Russian Federation)
Valeria María **González Posse** (Argentina)
Hitoshi **Kozaki** (Japan)
Lovemore **Mazemo** (Zimbabwe)
Philip Richard Okanda **Owade** (Kenya)
Md. Mustafizur **Rahman** (Bangladesh)
Thomas A. **Repasch** (United States of America)
Jörg **Stosberg** (Germany)

3. Accordingly, it will be necessary for the General Assembly, at its seventy-first session, to elect four members and four alternate members to the Committee to serve for a period of four years, beginning on 1 January 2017.

4. At previous sessions, the Fifth Committee submitted to the General Assembly a draft decision containing the names of the persons recommended for appointment. It is suggested that a similar procedure be followed at the seventy-first session.